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For: **POROUS DRUG MATRICES AND METHODS OF MANUFACTURE THEREOF**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed on October 24, 2002, please consider the following remarks. It is believed that no fee is required with this submission. However, should a fee be required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee to Deposit Account No. 50-1868.

Amendment

Please enter the following amendment.

29. (Amended) The method of claim 23 wherein the formulation is suspended in an aqueous solution suitable for parenteral administration.

Remarks

Claims 23-35 are pending. Claim 29 has been amended to state that the formulation is suspended in an aqueous solution. Support for this amendment can be found in the specification

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